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1. ACCORDING TO SOURCES IN THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE DEPARTMENT
OF THE SWISS NATIONAL BANK (SNB), THE FRENCH, UPON THEIR
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FORMAL ENTRY INTO THE SNAKE, INVITED SWITZERLAND TO BEGIN

DISCUSSIONS TOWARD SWISS ENTRY. WHILE THE FRENCH EXPRESSED SOME CONCERN ABOUT THE STRENGTH OF THE SWISS FRANC, NO MENTION WAS MADE OF ELIMINATING NUMBERED ACCOUNTS OR OF MODIFICATION OF SWISS TAX LAWS.

2. EMBOFFS HAVE BEEN TRYING FOR TWO DAYS TO FIND SOMEONE AT DECISION MAKING LEVEL IN GOS AND SNB FOR DISCUSSION OF CURRENT SWISS POSITION ON SNAKE ASSOCIATION. THIS BEGINNING OF HOLIDAY SEASON, HOWEVER, AND NO ONE HAS BEEN AVAILABLE. AS FAR AS WE KNOW, SWISS ATTITUDES TOWARD SNAKE ASSOCIATION STILL COOL (REFTEL B). IN ANY EVENT IT SEEMS UNLIKELY THAT ANY DECISION WILL BE MADE SOON.
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